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New Requirements for Licensing Cemeteries

MADISON . . The Licensing requirements for cemeteries have changed. Effective immediately, the following cemetery authorities are required to apply to the Wisconsin Cemetery Board for a license: those that operate a cemetery that is five (5) acres or more in size, those that sell twenty (20) or more cemetery lots or mausoleum spaces during a calendar year, or those that hold \$100,000.00 or more in preneed trust fund accounts. Cemeteries that are organized, maintained, and operated by a town, village, city, church, synagogue or mosque, religious, fraternal or benevolent society or incorporated college of a religious order are not required to be licensed.

Application forms are available on the Department of Regulation and Licensing website at www.drl.wi.gov. They may also be requested by phone at (608) 266-2112, or by writing to the Department at P.O. Box 8935, Madison, WI 53708-8956.

A complete version of the statutory changes that are included in 2005 Wisconsin Act 25 can be found on the Internet at: http://folio.legis.state.wi.us/cgi-bin/om_isapi.dll?clientID=30134486&infobase=acts05.nfo&softpage=Browse_Frame_Pg

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